HISTORY

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REBELLION

Raifed against His MAJESTY

KING GEORGE II.

From its RISE in August 1745, to its HAPPY
EXTINCTION, by the

Glorious VICTORY at Culloden,

On the 16th of April, 1746.

Illustrated with Plans of the Battles of FALKIRK and CULLODEN.

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The History of the REBELLION.

HERE is nothing that can contribute more to the furnishing proper Materials for the History of any Period of Time, than the fetting down in a clear Chronological Order, a plain Narration of Facts, while they are yet recent, and it is in a manner impossible that any material Mistakes should be made about them. It is through want of Care in this Particular, that in many ancient, and in some modern Histories, we are so much at a Loss about the Dates and Circumstances relating even to the most remarkable Events; so that our Knowledge is in a manner general, and confequently too often little better than fuperficial. In order to prevent this, with regard to fo memorable, as well as melancholly a Series of Transactions, as have pass'd fince the breaking out of the present Rebellion we intend to give a plain Historical Narration, which for the fake of perspicuity we shall divide, as indeed it naturally divides itself, into five separate Periods: viz. The Rife and Progress of this Rebellion, to the Time of the Highlanders entering England; the Particulars of their Invasion, from their passing the Tweed to their Arrival at Derby; their Retreat from thence back into Scotland; their Progress from that Time, to the raising the Siege of Stirling-Castle, and their Transactions since their Flight in the North to the prefent Time.

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I. The Rife and Progress of the Rebellion, to the Time of the Highlanders entering South-Britain.

HE Arrival of the Pretender's eldest Son in France, could not but give great Reason to suspect that something was meditating then in his Favour, nor was it long before there were evident Signs of an intended Invasion, tho' the French Court pretended to have no Knowledge of the young Chevalier's Journey; and it was even suggested by the French Party in Holland, that M. Amelot was removed and difgraced, for having given that young Adventurer those Hopes which drew him into France. However in the Summer of the Year 1745, it was known that fome Preparations were privately making for an Expedition into Scotland; and a principal Officer in the French Navy raifed a Company of one hundred Men, under the Pretence of the East-India Company's Service which were stiled Graffins de Mer, and were handsomely cloathed in Blue faced with Red. They were put on board a Frigate, carrying eighteen Guns; and every Thing being now ready, the Chevalier came privately from the House of the Duke de Fitz-James to Port Lazare in Brittany, where on the fourteenth



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of July he embarked with about fifty Scots and Irish, in order to have failed round Ireland, and to land in the North-West of Scotland. This Frigate of his was joined off Belleifle by the Elizabeth, a Man of War of fixty-fix Guns, taken from us by the French in the last War, and now extreamly well mann'd for this Service, In their Passage she fell in with a Fleet of English Merchantmen under the Convoy of three Men of War, one of which, viz. the Lyon, commanded by the gallant Captain Brett, engaged the Elizabeth for nine Hours, but foon after the Engagement began, the Frigate bore away, and continued her intended Voyage. The Elizabeth, when Night came on, made a shift to get away, and returned to Brest quite disabled, having her Captain and sixty-four Men killed, and one hundred and thirty dangerously wounded; the had on board a large Sum of Money, and Arms for feveral thousand Men, which, no doubt, were to have been landed with the Pretender for the use of his Adherents.

As for the Frigate before mentioned, the cruized for fome Days between the Islands of Bara and Uyst, and at last stood in for the Coast of Lochaber, and there landed betwixt the Islands of Mull and Skie the young Chevalier and his Attendants. He went first to the House of Mr. Mackdonald of Kenloch-Moidart, where he remained for some time before he was in any Condition to shew himself in Publick; but about the middle of August, being joined by the Camerons of Lochiel, the Mackdonalds of Glengary, the Stuarts of Appin, and others of the Clans, to the Number of between fifteen hundred and two thousand Men, he resolved to set up his This was accordingly done, and the Motto he made Choice of was Tandum Triumphans, that is, At length. Triumphant, About the Middle of August he appeared with his Forces in the Neighbourhood of Fort-William, and about this Time published several of his Father's Manifesto's, among which one was dated in 1743, which plainly shewed that an Invasion was then intended, another in 1745, declaring his Son Regent, and a third containing large Promifes to the People of Scotland. Soon after, two Companies of Saint Clair's Regiment fell in with the Rebels, whom they were fent to reconnoitre, and were most of them taken Prisoners, as Captain Sweatnam of Guy's Regiment was prefently after; but he was released upon his Parole; and it was from this Gentleman that the first distinct Accounts were obtained of the Force, Disposition, and Design of the Rebels, who began then to think themselves strong enough to march Southward, which they very speedily prepared to do,

Lieutenant-General Sir John Cope, Knight of the Bath, was at this Time Commander in Chief of the King's Forces in Scotland, and had the intire Direction of Military Affairs there, in Consequence of which he drew together the Troops then in that Kingdom, armed the Militia, and took fuch other Precautions as he thought requifite, and at length judged it expedient to march Northward, in order to find out the Enemy, supposing that they would either wait for him at the Chain, which is the Name usually given to the great Road cross the Island from Inverness to Fort-William, or endeavour to meet and fight him in his Passage; but they did neither: For while the General made a long and fatiguing March to Inverness, the Rebels gave him the Slip, and instead of marching through the Pass of Corryerroch, they took the Way over the Mountains; and the first News heard of them was, that they had taken Possession of Perth on the 4th of September, and on the 5th the Pretender was publickly proclaimed there. It was now known that several Persons of Distinction had declared for, and were in Arms to affift the Chevalier, particularly the Perfon call'd Duke of Perth, Chief of the noble Family of Drummond, and Son to the Earl of Perth, Chancellor of Scotland, who followed the Fortunes of the late King James, and was by him created a Duke in France; the Marquis of Tullibardin, now stiling himself Duke of Athol, eldest Son to the late Duke, but attainted for the Share he had in the last Rebellion; Lord George Murray, his Brother, and feveral others; by which their Numbers fo much increased, that on the 11th they began their March towards the Forth, which River they passed at the Frews, by fording it on the 13th, and seemed to direct their Rout towards Glasgow, which City the young Chevalier fummoned, but receiving no Answer, they on the 14th diverted their March Eastward towards Edinburgh.

In the mean time Sir John Cope reached Inverness, from whence he dispatched Orders Southward. for Transports to be sent him to Aberdeen, in order to bring his Forces back by Sea to the Port of Leith; and with this View he marched with all possible Expedition from Inverness to Aberdeen, where he embark'd his Men, and on the 16th of September entered the Harbour of Dumbar, where the next Day the Men landed, and on the 18th the Artillery. They were scarce well ashore, before they had Advice of the City of Edinburgh being in the Hand of the Rebels, with whom the Lord Provost, and some other Magistrates, had a kind of Treaty on the 16th in the Evening, and Terms being settled, the Rebels entered the Place the next Morning about Five o' Clock. General Guest had

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retired into the Castle with a small Number of Regular Troops; the Bank, and most of the publick Offices, having been removed into that Fortress before. Brigadier Fowke, with Gardiner's and Hamilton's Dragoons, having joined Sir John Cope's Army, they, on the 19th, marched from Dumbar, and encamped at Night on the West Side of Haddington; the next Morning early they continued their March, and in the Evening reached Preston Pans, the Highlanders appearing on the high Grounds to the South of them, so that they were very near each other, and some string pass'd during the Night.

It is not easy to say, at least with Certainty, of what Number of Men each Army confifted; the Regiments that Sir John Cope had with him were Col. Gardiner and Major General Hamilton's Dragoons, Lieutenant General Guise's, Col. Lee's, Col. Murray's, Col. Lascelles's, and the Earl of Loudon's Regiments of Foot; but of these there was only one compleat. As for the Rebels, the largest Number mentioned in any of our Accounts, was five Thousand, but they owned themselves no more than three Thousand; and it is agreed, that not above one Half of these engaged. They attacked the King's Troops about Three in the Morning, and the Dragoons breaking on the first Fire, left the Foot exposed to the Highlanders, by whom, after a short Dispute, they were defeated, a considerable Number killed, and the best Part of the rest made Prifoners, the few Field-Pieces they had with them being likewife The Earls of Loudon and Hume having rallied the taken. Dragoons, retired with them to Lauder, and from thence the next Day to Berwick; Brigadier Fowke, and Col. Lascelles came back to Dumbar, and Sir John Cope went to Berwick. This is, by fome, called the Battle of Preston Pans, by others, the Battle of Seaton, from two little Towns near which it was fought; but it is more properly stiled the Battle of Glaidefmuir, fince that was the Field of Battle, being a wide barren Heath, about feven Miles East from Edinburgh.

A LIST of the Officers Killed and Wounded.

Colonel Gardiner's Dragoons: Col. Gardiner, killed; Lieut. Col. Whitney, wounded. Hamilton's Dragoons: Lieut. Col. Wright, wounded; Major Bowles, wounded. Lascelles's Foot: Capt. Steuart, killed; Ensign Bell, much wounded. Murray's: Capt. Leslie, slightly wounded; Ensign Haldane, dangerously wounded. Guise's: Capt. Pointz, dangerously wounded; Capt. Holwell, killed. Leigh's: Capt. Bromer, killed, Capt. Rogers, killed, Lieut. Col. Whiteford, slightly wounded.

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The Rebels, after this Engagement, continued at Diddifron and Muffelburgh on the 22d and 23d, and did not return
to Edinburgh till the 24th. On the 28th, they fent out Parties to Haddington and Dumbar, and the same Day they sent
away most of the private Men they had taken Prisoners, to
Perth. On the 29th, they sent the Officers they had taken
thither likewise; and that Evening they began to take their
Measures for cutting off all Communication between the Castle
of Edinburgh and the Town, which, considering that they
wanted heavy Artillery, and indeed all other Requisites for a
Siege, was a very needless and strange Attempt, and served only to expose themselves to considerable Loss, as appeared by
the Event.

On the first of October they opened their Trenches on the Castle Hill, a little below the Reservoir; upon which, they began to fire upon them from the Castle, killing three Men, and wounding a commanding Officer, fo that by Four in the Afternoon they abandoned their Works. The City of Glafgow being summoned a second Time, and fifteen Thousand Pounds being demanded by way of Contribution, they were conftrained to compound the Matter for five Thousand Guineas, which were immediately paid. Hostilities continued between the Garrison of the Castle of Edinburgh and the Rebels, till the Fifth in the Evening, when several Houses being beat down by the Artillery, and the Rebels having loft twenty Men in an Attempt to drive Part of the Garrison from the Castle Hill, the Communication between the Town and Castle was restored, and Hostilities ceased. On the Seventh, the Rebels demanded Half a Crown in the Pound from the Landlords of Houses in Edinburgh, under Pain of Military Execution. About the Middle of this Month they were join'd by confiderable Reinforcements under the command of feveral Persons of Distinction, particularly old Gordon of Glenbucket, Forbes Lord Pitsligo, the Earl of Kilmarnock, and others. They likewise received from Abroad considerable Supplies of Ammunition, Military Stores, fmall Arms, and fome Field-pieces. There was also one Mr. Boyer came over in one of these Vesfels from France, as an Agent, whom they were pleafed to dignify with the Title of Ambassador. Towards the latter End of the Month, a great Part of the Army marched to Dalkeith, to which Place they removed their Field-pieces and Ammunition; and having erected a Battery at Alloway, to fecure the Passage of the Firth, they transported from Montrose, Stonehive, and other Places, the Supplies they had received from Abroad, in one Hundered and Eighty-five Carts, and by

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His Majesty, in the mean Time, had been pleased to declare Field Marshal Wade Commander in Chief of the Army which was intended for the North. Our Forces foon began to move that Way, and the Dutch Troops were landed at Newcastle, as also Part of the British Forces that were recalled from Flanders, under the Command of the Earl of Albemarle. The Tryal Sloop likewise brought into Bristol, a Spanish Ship, on board of which were two Thousand five Hundred Fusils with Bayonets, and one Hundred Barrels of Gunpowder, feven Chests of Money, &c. designed for the Service of the Rebels. By this Time likewise the Militia in the Northern Counties were raised, and Associations and voluntary Contributions fet on foot in the most Parts of the Kingdom; In the County of York particularly, through the timely Vigilance and Zeal of the Archbishop, affished by the Nobility and Gentry, four new Reigments were raifed, cloathed, and disciplined at the Expence of the Country. There was likewife a confiderable Body of Gentlemen Volunteers on Horseback, who ferved at their own Expence, put in Motion under the Command of Major General Oglethorpe, stiled the Royal Hunters. In Scotland, the Lord Prefident of the Court of Seffion, Duncan Forbes, Esq; distinguished himself by his Zeal and Activity, in distributing Commissions for raising several Independent Companies in the North, which were to be put under the Command of the Right Honourable the Earl of Loudon; fo that by the End of the Month, there was an Army of 14,000 Men formed in the North of England, and a very confiderable Body raised in the North of Scotland, for the Security of Inverness, Fort William, and other Garrisons there; which Military Preparations, joined to the loyal Spirit which shewed itself in all Parts of the Nation, and more particularly at London, very probably disappointed the Designs of the Disasfected, hinder'd many from joining the Rebels, and even drew off fome who had gone to Edinburgh with that Resolution. This was not much confidered at that Time, but we have Reason to judge fo fince; and therefore there is no Cause to censure the Expence the Nation was put to by these Levies, tho' they did not enter on immediate Service; they shewed the Sense of the People, they protected the King's well-meaning Subjects, and awed the Highlanders for some Time.

On the first of November, the young Chevalier came to the Camp at Dalkeith, and caused the noble Palace there, belonging

to his Grace the Duke of Buccleugh, and which is reputed one of the finest Houses in Scotland, to be prepared for his Reception, and there he fixed his Head-quarters, as lying very conveniently either for fending Spies or Detachments, to fee what was doing in the North of England. He had however but cool Encouragement, some refusing to read his Letters, and feveral of his Emissaries being seized at Newcastle, Berwick, and at other Places. He detached two advanced Corps from thence, one of which marched towards Pennycook, and the other to Loanhead, both Places being in the Way to Peebles and Carlifle; these Detachments escorted their Baggage and Ammunition in about one Hundred and Fifty Carts and Waggons, and near the fame Number of Sumpter Horses. On the Fifth their Forces began their March Southwards in three Columns. At this Time the Duke of Perth (as he stiled himfelf) had the Title of General, Lord George Murray had the Post of Lieutenant General; Lord Elcho, who is eldest Son to the Earl of Wemys, commanded those that were about the Person of the young Pretender, and were stiled his Life-Guards; the Earl of Kilmarnock, an elderly Man, and corpulent in his Person, acted as Colonel of Hussars; and Lord Pitsligo had the Command of the Angus Horse. But though, in regard to their Interests, these People were honoured with those Commands, it was known that the Pretender confided in a few Persons, most of whom came over with him. At the Head of his Councils was Sir Thomas Sheridan, who has been long about him, an Irish Gentleman, of a middle Age, and reputed a Man of Capacity; Col. Sullivan, who had been a little while in the French Service, and was somewhat of an Engineer; General Macdonald, an Irish Officer, who was his Aid de Camp; Mr. Kelly, who was so long in the Tower, on the Affair of the late Bishop of Rochester; and Mr. Murray of Broughton, who acted all along as his Secretary. The Number of Men that the Pretender had with him at this Juncture, have been fo very differently reported, that it is not eafy to affign it with any Certainty; but according to the most authentick Accounts we have had fince, they feem to have been about seven Thousand, some of whom, when they consider'd the Dangers to which they were exposed, deserted. But notwithftanding this and other Disappointments, the Rebel Chiefs continuing firm in their first Resolution, began to pass the Tweed on the fixth, and the fame Day their advanced Guards entered England.

His Excellency Field Marshal Wade was by this Time arrived at Newcastle, had formed the King's Army there, and

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would have marched to fight the Rebels, if he had not found it necessary to be first informed whether they really intended to invade England, and which Rout the meant to take, that of Newcastle, or Carlisle. He caused likewise a Declaration to be published, promising Pardon to such of the Highlanders as returned to their Duty by the 12th of November, and took fuch Precautions for the Security of the adjacent Country, as obliged the Rebels, who were too far advanced to think of retiring into Scotland, to throw themselves into the Western Road, to which their People in general, and most of their Chiefs, feem'd at first to be least inclined. The Rigour of the Season, their late forced Marches, and a kind of Flux among the Soldiers, retarded the Operations of the King's Troops for some Time; but good Quarters, proper Refreshments, and the extraordinary Care of their Officers, foon overcame those Difficulties, and put the Army into so good a Condition, as enabled them to go through the Winter Campaign with fewer Inconveniencies and much less Loss than could have been reasonably expected, considering the great Hardthips and exceffive Fatigues to which those Corps particularly, that had ferved all the Summer in Flanders, were exposed.

II. The Particulars of the Invasion from the Rebels passing the Tweed to their Arrival at Derby.

ON the feventh of November, the Rebel Army advanced to Halyhaugh, and from thence fent out Parties to scour the adjacent Country. On the eighth they came to Langton, and on the ninth they appeared on a Moor two Miles from the City of Carlifle. This Place, which is the chief Town in Cumberland, was formerly very strong, and considered as a Bulwark against the Scots. The best Part of its old Walls were standing; and the Castle, tho' an ancient irregular Fortress, had snch remains of Strength, that in the Opinion of Colonel Durand who commanded there, it was tenable against a better Army than that of the Rebels. In point of Force there was the whole Militia of the two Counties of Cumberland and Westmorland, and some Invalids in the Castle; so that when the young Pretender summoned them, they absolutely refused to give up the Place; upon which the Rebels filed off towards Bramton, where they spent fome Time in confulting what was to be done. It is faid that the Officers were inclined to march on, but the Men thewing a Defire to return to Carlifle, it was not judged adviseable by their Superiors to cross their Inclinations; and therefore after cutting a great deal of Wood for Fascines and ScalingScaling-Ladders in Corby and Warwick Parks, they on the thirteenth began to move back towards Carlifle. The Place in all Probability might even then have made a Defence, but the Threats of the Rebels had such an Effect, that the white Flag was hung out and the Town capitulated on the fifteenth, and the Castle too was given up; but the Governor took Care to withdraw, as disliking the Terms, and persisted in his first Opinion, that the Place might have been defended. Thus this City fell into the Hands of the Rebels, who immediately caused the Pretender to be proclaim'd, and put a Garrison into the Castle under the Command of the Duke of Perth, who was declared Governor of Carlisle, and so conti-

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As foon as Marshal Wade had Intelligence at Newcastle of the Rout which the Rebels had taken, he refolved notwithstanding the Severity of the Season, to march from thence to the Relief of Carlifle; and accordingly on the fixteenth the Army began to move for that Purpose. His Excellency intended to have begun his March as foon as it was light, but moving from the left the Swifs Troops had the Van, which delayed their Motions several Hours, to the great Prejudice of the Expedition; for the Weather being excessively cold, attended with a deep Snow and a hard Frost, the Troops suffered much. The Major Generals Howard and Oglethorp, and the Brigadiers Cholmondeley and Mordaunt, marched on foot at the Head of the Infantry to encaurage the Soldiers. It was eight at Night and very dark before the front Line got into the Camp at Ovington; and tho' the Soldiers march'd with great Chearfulness, yet the Roads being terribly broke and full of Ice, it was foreseen that many of the last Column might drop through excessive Fatigue; and therefore the Major Generals Husk and Oglethorp, fent out Countrymen with Lights and Carts to affift the Rear Guard, and bring up the tired Men; in which Service they were employed till near nine the next Morning. On the seventeenth the Marshal continued his March to Hexam, where he arrived with the first Line about four in the Afternoon; but the Rear of the Army did not come up till near Midnight. His Excellency having Intelligence that Carlifle had furrendered, resolved to march back to Newcastle, and accordingly he did; but the Weather continuing bad, and the Roads being become in a manner impassable, he did not arrive there with the Army till the twenty-second; and even then, the Forces under his Command were fo excessively fatigued, that if it had not been for the great Care taken of them by the People of Newcastle,

who shewed the utmost Zeal and Affection in providing them Quarters, they must have been in a great Measure ruined by

this fatiguing March.

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This Invalion of the Rebels having thrown all the Northern and Western Parts of the Kingdom into great Confusion, Directions were given for forming another Army in Lancashire, which it was at first intended should be commanded by Sir John Ligonier, Knight of the Bath. The following newrais'd Troops, viz. The Duke of Montague's and the Duke of Kingston's Horse; the Duke of Ancaster's, Earl of Cholmondley's, Earl of Berkley's, Earl of Halifax's, Lord Gower's, and Lord Herbert's Regiments of Foot, together with eight old Regiments, were affigned for this Service, and ordered to march into Staffordshire directly. The City of Chester was also put into a Condition of Defence, in a surprising short Space of Time, by the Care and Diligence of the Right Hon. the Earl of Cholmondeley. At Liverpool likewise, all necessary Precautions were taken, and the Inhabitants of that Town shewed all the Spirit and Resolution that cou'd be desired.

The Rebels did not continue long at Carlifle; for on the nineteenth the young Pretender made his Entry into that City, and on the twentieth his Forces continued their March to Penrith, from whence they advanced on the twenty-second to Kendall; moved from thence to Lancaster on the twentyfourth, and on the 27th reached Preston. They were at Wiggan and Lee on the 28th, and in the Afternoon of the same Day an advanced Party entered Manchester, where they began to beat up for Volunteers, but with much less Success than they expected, tho' fome few People joined them; and they had likewise picked up some Persons of desperate Fortune in their March, but however no body of any Rank or Distinction came in, which without Doubt was a great Disappointment, for they had flattered themselves with the Hopes of a confiderable Infurrection in their Favour. On the twenty-ninth the main Body of their Army moved towards Manchester, and about ten in the Morning their Horse entered the Town, and the Bellman was fent about to require all fuch as had any public Money in their Hands to bring it in. About two in the Afternoon the young Pretender, at the Head of a confiderable Body of pick'd Highlanders, and in their Drefs, march'd into Manchester and was proclaim'd. In the Evening the Bellman was again fent about to order the Town to be illuminated, and at Night the Rear of their Army arrived; but though they had demanded Quarters for ten thousand Men, it was judged they never had in Manchester

above half that Number. On the thirtieth a Part of the Rebel Army marched for Stockport, and the rest for Knotsford; they carried off all the Horses they cou'd meet with in the Neighbourhood of Manchester; at Night several Parties cross'd the River Mersey at different Places over Bridges made of Trees and Planks laid across, in framing of which they compell'd the Country People to affift them. It is very remarkable, that in their whole Progress no Discoveries could be made of the Routs they intended to take, because they were never given out above an Hour before their March began; and neither Officers nor Soldiers knew over Night where they were to go, or what Service they were to perform the next Morning: which Secrefy in all Probability preserved them from Destruction; fince however formidable they might be at a Diffance, those who faw them at Manchefter and other Places, were very far from thinking they made a dreadful Appearance.

In the mean time the Duke's Army was forming in Staffordshire: for upon the Approach of the Rebels it was resolved
that his Royal Highness should be sent down to command the
Forces in that Part of the Kingdom; and accordingly he arrived at Litchfield on the twenty-eighth of November, his
Troops being at that Time canton'd with a Line of Cavalry
in the Front, from Tamworth to Stafford, making a very fine
Appearance, and well surnished with Artillery and whatever
else was requisite for the Service. As to the Force of which
his Army consisted, we can only say that the following was
looked upon at that time as the most authentic Account that

could be procured.

An exact LIST of his Royal Highness the Duke of CUM-BERLAND'S Army.

Veteran	Soldiers 7,500
New-rai	'd Soldiers 3,000
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	Horse 1,400
	In all 2;200
Total of	the Army 12,700

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The Army under the Command of Field-Marshal Wade began to move towards the latter End of the Month, the Cavalry having reached Darlington and Richmond by the twenty-fifth: and on the twenty-ninth, Marshal Wade with the Infantry was at Persbridge, from whence he proposed to march to Wetherby, and there to canton the whole Army in the adjacent Villages; looking upon this as the most convenient Situation either for diffreshing the Enemy in case they should attempt to retire, or for co-operating with his Royal Highness's Forces, as Occasion By these well-concerted Dispositions, all Apshould require. prehensions of Danger were in a great Measure taken off, and the Country People began every where to recover their Spirits, and to put themselves in the best Posture of Defence they could, in case of their being visited by these Highland Invaders. Such was the Situation of things at the Close of last November; and we are now to return to the Progress of the Rebels so long as they continued to perfift in their wild Defign of advancing into South Britain.

On the first of December, the young Chevalier, with the main Body of his Army and all his Artillery, entred Macclesfield; and at this Time the greatest Part of the Rebels really expected an Engagement, as appeared by their scaling, firing, and putting in Order their Pieces all the Afternoon and Evening of But whatever were the real Intentions of the Chevalier and his Councils of War it is impossible to fay, fince at first it was believed they intended to march into Wales; but perceiving that if they shou'd accomplish that Scheme, they would certainly be shut up there, and reduced to great Necessiaties in a mountainous Country with which they were not acquainted, they abandon'd this Project as impracticable. On the fecond, about 2000 of their Foot passed by Gosworth, and about the like Number of Horse and Foot entered Congleton, and they fent a Detachment to Ashburn, as if they had an Intention to have struck off to Newcastle Underline. The next Day however, these two great Bodies of their Forces advanced, one of them to Leek, and the other to Ashburn, within fifteen Miles of Derby. On the fourth in the Morning, the Pretender's Son entered Derby with near 500 Horse and about 2000 Foot, and in the Evening the rest of their Forces, their Artillery, and their Baggage arrived there likewise; but with all the Precaution possible, to hinder any exact Account from being taken of their Numbers, which was a Point they laboured with the utmost Diligence during their whole March. On their first coming into Derby it was judged both from the Measures they took, and from the Behaviour of their Chiefs,

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N. B. Women and Boys excluded.

It was during their stay at Derby that the Rebels began first to shew that kind of Spirit, which appeared afterwards so plainly, and the Effects of which made such deep Impressions on the Minds of the People, as are not easily to be worn out. For having been informed during their stay here, that a Subscription had been set on foot in that Town for the King's Service a little before their Arrival, and that the Money was paying in, they sound means to procure a Copy of this Subscription Roll, and when they were thought to have quitted the Place, sent back a Party to levy such Sums as were mentioned in that Roll,

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no longer. His Royal Highness the Duke of Cumberland, at the Head of the King's Forces, took all imaginable Pains to force the Rebels to a decifive Engagement; and when that was found impossible, to hinder their March into North Wales, or to alarm the Nation by continuing their Incursion, and advancing farther into the Heart of the Kingdom. In order to effect the former of these Purposes, his Royal Highness advanced to Stone upon the first Advice of the Rebels being at Congleton; but when it appeared that their true Design was to march to Derby, the King's Forces moved towards Northampton to intercept them in their Rout Southwards; and having been informed that the Rebels had possessed themselves of Swarkston-Bridge, his Royal Highness encamped on the fixth with the greatest part of the Forces on Merriden Common, between Coles-hill and Coventry. In the mean time his Excellency Field-Marshal Wade, had marched the Army under his Command to Wetherby, where he encamped on the fifth; and the same Day Orders were given for the Horse and Dragoons to proceed to Doncaster, whether the Foot were to follow them. These Dispofions afforded sufficient Reason for the Rebels to retreat, since whoever confiders them attentively, will find, that in the first Place, it would have been very difficult for them to have proceeded farther, without meeting with and being obliged to fight the Duke's Army, which was what they never design'd; as on the other Hand, if they had succeeded in their Scheme, and by fome Means or other continued their March without coming to a Battle, it must have ended in their absolute Ruin, since a Delay of two or three Days must have rendered their Retreat Northwards altogether impoffible.

Before we close this Period of our History, it is requisite to observe, that the second Son of the Pretender being arrived in

France.

France, there were about this Time vast Preparations made for the Invasion of this Kingdom; and though by the timely and prudent Precautions taken by the Lords of the Admiralty, they were prevented, and more especially by the Vigilance of Admiral Vernon, who was entrusted with the Command in the Channel; yet they occasioned a great deal of Confusion, and proved in that Respect of some Service to the Rebels; but in another Sense, they were of Service to the Nation; fince they not only kept alive, but heighten'd that Spirit of Zeal and Loyalty, which had appeared from the breaking out of the Rebellion, and of which all Ranks and Degrees of People gave at this Time fuch lively Testimonies, as were sufficient to convince even our Enemies, that his Majesty reigned in the Hearts and Affections of his Subjects, as well as over their Per-Yet in North Britain the Flame of Rebellion began again to spread itself, by the Assistance of the French; for Lord John Drummond having landed with about five hundred Men at Aberdeen, Peterhead, and Montrose, he was very soon joined by that Body which Lord Lewis Gordon had been raising in the North, as well as by other of the difaffected Clans, from as the Mackenzies, the Mackintoshes, the Farquharsons, and the Fraziers, to the Number of between two and three thousand Men; with which Forces he drew down towards Perth about the Time the young Pretender was at Derby. The Earl of Loudon, who was at the Head of a small Body of Men for the the King's Service in the North, spared no Pains or Diligence in exciting the well-affected Clans to join him; and by the Reinforcements he received from the Macleods, the Grants, the Monroes, the Sutherlands, and the Guns, he was foon two thousand strong. At Edinburgh likewise, and at Glasgow they began to raise Men for the Service of the Government with great Chearfulness and Success; so that two good Regiments were completed, befides several Independent Corps; as will be feen more at large in the fucceeding Period, when we fpeak of the Measures taken to suppress the Rebellion in Scotland.

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FTER the Rebels had executed their Purpose of raising Money on the Town of Derby, they returned to their Resolution of endeavouring to retire by the same Road they came into Scotland; and accordingly marched on the 6th of December, 1745, to Albburn, from whence they moved the next Day to Leek, destroying in their Passage whatever they judged might be of Use to the King's Forces that were in Pursuit of them, and shewing a warm Spirit of Resentment for the Disappointments they had met with, thereby provok'd the Country People to do them all the Mischief they could. They carried with them a Train of Artillery confifting of fifteen small Pieces of Cannon and one Mortar. On the 8th in the Evening their Van-Guard reached Manchester, and the next Morning the young Chevalier and the Main of his Forces came thither, where they were not received as they had been before, but on the contrary, the Towns People, or at least the Mob, gave them some pretty visible Marks of their Dislike, which was punished immediately by an Order, or Precept in the Name of the Chevalier, and figned and fealed by Mr. Murray his Secretary, directed to the Constables and Collector of the Land-Tax for the Towns of Manchester and Selford; requiring them to collect and leve by the next Day at Noon, the Sum of 2,500 Pounds to be paid to the faid Mr. Murray, with a Promise of Repayment, however, when the Country should be settled under his Government. On the 10th they continued their March by Pendleton Pole, towards Leigh and Wiggan, which last Place they reached on the 11th, and pushed on from thence to Preston, the next Day; being extreamly apprehensive of finding themselves surrounded in that Neighbourhood. On the 13th in the Morning they quitted Preston, and continued their Rout to Lancaster; and on the 14th they moved from thence to Kendal, which they entered about ten in the Morning, and where they met with a bad Reception, for the Towns-People fired upon their Hussars, killed one, and took two Prisoners. Their Van-Guard continued their March from thence to Shap in their Way to Penrith; but feeing the Beacons on every Side lighted, and being informed that it was done to raife the Country, and that the People were disposed to fall upon them on every fide, they thought proper to return to Kendal, which they accordingly did about two in the Morning. On the 15th the Pretender with all his Forces arrived there, and began to march from thence for *Penrith* on the 16th by break of Day; Lord George Murray commanding the Rear-Guard as he had done during the whole March. They intended to have reached. Penrith that Night, but finding it impracticable, they thought tit

fit to halt at Shap, where we shall leave them for the present, that we may the better give the Reader an Account of the Moti-

ons of the King's Forces, in order to overtake them.

His Royal Highness the Duke of Cumberland having certain Intelligence on the 7th of December, that the Highlanders had begun to move Northward, put himself next Morning at the Head of all the Horse and Dragoons, with 1000 Volunteers in order to follow the Rebels from Merriden, and stop them till the Foot came up. On the 9th, Sir John Ligonier marched with the Brigade of Guards, and the Regiment of Semple to Litchfield. On the 10th, the Duke arrived at Macclesfield with two Regiments of Dragoons, having a Body of 1000 Foot at no great Distance, from whence he fent Orders to Manchester, and other Parts of the Country, that nothing might be neglected that cou'd contribute to retard or diffres the Enemy. On the 11th, Major Wheatley was detached with an advance Party of Dragoons to harrafs the Rear of the Rebels, and to join the light-armed Troops that were expected from the other Army; the Motions of which shall be next accounted for to this Time, after which the Pursuit was

entirely under His Royal Highness's Direction.

His Excellency Field-Marshal Wade having received certain Intelligence of the Proceedings of the Rebels, and of the Situation of his Majesty's Forces under the Command of his Royal Highness, held on the 8th of December a great Council of War at Ferry-Bridge, to confider of the most effectual Means for cutting off the Highlanders in their Retreat; and in this Council of War it was refolved to march directly by Wakefield and Hallifax into Lancashire, as the most likely Way of intercepting the Rebels. But arriving at Wakefield on the 10th, and having Advice that the main Body of the Rebels were at Manchester, and their Van-Guard moving from thence towards Preston, his Excellency finding that it was now impossible to come up with them, judged it unnecessary to fatigue the Forces by hard Marches; and therefore detaching Major Gen. Oglethorpe on the 11th with the Cavalry under his Command, he began his March with the rest of his Forces for Newcastle. On the 13th, a great Body of the Horse and Dragoons that were, as has been faid, under Major Gen. Oglethorpe arrived at Preston, having marched 100 Miles in three Days over Snow and Ice, which was a noble Testimony of Zeal and Spirit especially in the new-raised Forces. His Royal Highness arrived about one at the same Place, and immediately gave his Orders for continuing the Pursuit of the Rebels with the utmost Diligence. On the 14th, accordingly General Oglethorpe advanced towards Lancaster, which Place the Duke reached on the 16th; General Oglethorpe continuing his Pursuit at the Heels of the Rebels. On the 17th the Major Gen. was at Shap, and his Royal Roy com and pofe Cap

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Royal Highness entered Kendal, having now more Hopes of coming up with the Enemy than at any time during the March, and the Dispositions which were made by the Duke for this Purpose, were such as shewed the utmost Penetration and military

Capacity. On Wednesday the 18th of December in the Evening, part of the Cavalry with his Royal Highness, came up with the Rebels after ten Hours March a little beyond Lowther-Hall, which they had quitted on the Approach of the King's Forces, and threw themfelves into the Village of Clifton, about three Miles from Penrith; where they had great Advantages from the Situation of the Place, and from some decay'd broken Walls, which served them instead His Royal Highness however, caused the of Retrenchments. Village to be immediately attacked, by the first Forces that came up, which were the King's own Regiment of Dragoons, and part of the Duke of Kingston's Horse, who behaved extreamly well upon this Occasion; and in an Hour's Time drove them out of the Place, tho' a very strong and defensible Post. The Loss of the Enemy could not be certainly known, because it was quite dark before the Affair was over. There were 40 of the King's Forces kill'd and wounded, and amongst them four Officers, viz. Col. Honeywood, Capt. East, Cornet Owen, and Cornet Hamilton. On the Side of the Rebels, there was one Captain Hamilton taken Prisoner, who was much wounded. It was so dark and the Country so covered, that it was impossible to pursue them with any Probability of Success that Night; and the next Morning about 70 of the Rebels were made Prisoners; nothing but the Quickness of their Retreat having saved the rest, and that too with great Difficulty.

While their Rear-Guard was engaged with the King's Forces at Clifton, the main Body of the Rebels were at Penrith, and so apprehensive of being overtaken, that at ten o'Clock at Night they ordered their Artillery and Baggage to advance towards Carlifle; and on the 19th in the Morning they entered that City, exceffively fatigued and in much Confusion. The Rebels did not continue long there, but contented themselves with putting a fort of Garrison into the Place composed of between 4 and 500 Men, most of them being those that had joined them in England, and which they had formed into a Corps under the Title of the Manchefter Regiment. The main Body of their Army continued their March towards Scotland, paffing the River Esk, tho' very high, which cost many of them their Lives: and on the 20th and twenty-first, they again entered North-Britain, leaving those they had thrown into Carlifle to shift for themselves as well as they could, and without any Hopes of Succour. These pretended at first that they would make an obstinate Defence; and having most

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restored the People of Carlisle to the King's Protection. On the 20th of Decem. His Royal Highness's Forces advanced to Hesket, which is eight Miles from Carlisle, where they were joined by St. George's Dragroons. On the 21st, about Four in the Morning, the whole Army marched in four Columns towards Carlifle, which was already invested, and in the Evening they arrived before that City, and took up their Quarters in the Villages round it. Field Marshal Wade having Intelligence of what had passed at Clifton, detached a confiderable Body of Foot to join the Duke's Army, and gave fuch other Orders as were requifite for haftening hither the Artillery and Ammunition that were wanting for carrying on the Siege. On the 26th, Part of the Cannon expected from Whiteheaven, arrived, and the utmost Diligence being used, they began on the 28th to play with fix eighteen Pounders upon the Place. In the Night of the 29th they raifed a new Battery of three Pieces of Cannon, that began to play in the Morning, upon which the Rebels hung out a white Flag, and offered to capitulate; but his Royal Highness would grant them no other Terms than these, that they should not be put to the Sword, but reserved for his Majesty's Pleasure; to which, about Three in the Afternoon on the 30th, one John Hamilton, who stiled himself Governour of Carlisle, agreed, and Brigadier Bligh immediately took Possession of the Town with a Detachment of four Hundred Guards, seven Hundred Foot, and one Hundred and twenty Horse. The Rebel Officers yielded themselves Prisoners immediately, and their Men retired into the Cathedral without Arms, where they had a Guard fet over them, till His Royal Highness could otherwise dispose of them. Such was the Issue of this wild Undertaking, and fo foon were those who pretended to defend the Place to the last Extremity, reduced to surrender it and themselves Prisoners at Discretion.

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While the Rebels were doing the Business of the French in the North, vast Preparations were still made on the Coast of France and French Flanders, for invading this Kingdom; and the Informations which the Government received of their Embarkations, particularly at Dunkirk, induced his Majesty to give such Directions as were necessary for appointing proper Alarm-Posts, at which the Troops were to affemble, and fuch fignals as were requifite for affembling them; and at the fame time a Proclamation was iffued, commading all Officers, Civil and Military, to cause the Coasts to be carefully watched, and upon the first Approach of the Enemy to direct all Horses, Oxen, Cattle and other Provilions, to be driven and removed 20 Miles from the Place where the Enemy should attempt to land; and such Regiments of regular Troops as were at this Time quartered in and about London, were ordered down to the Coasts of Kent and Suffex. These wise and timely Precautions, joined to the Zeal and Spirit thewn by the Gentlemen, Clergy, and other Inhabitants of the Maritime Countries, had so good an Effect, together with the Diligence used by the Officers of his Majesty's Navy, that served on Board the Squadron then in the Chanel, that the Designs of the French were totally defeated, notwithstanding they frequently changed their Schemes, which served only to fatigue their Troops excesively, and to diffres their Subjects to the last Degree, by ruining the little Trade still left in that Kingdom.

As Lord John Drummond, Lord Lewis Gordon, and the rest of the Rebel Chiefs in Scotland were all this Time labouring with great Diligence, as well as much Violence, to draw together a considerable Force in order to join the Pretender on his Return into that Country; the King's loyal Subjects there shewed the greatest Zeal and Spirit, in exerting their utmost Force in order to oppose them. The City of Glascow particularly distinguished itself upon this Occasion, by levying 15 Companies of 60 Men each at their own Expence, and having compleated them by the

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beginning of the Month of December, they marched from thence under the Command of the Right Hon. the Earl of Hume, for Sterling. The City of Edinburgh also having received his Majesty's Licence for that Purpose, raised 1000 Men for the King's Service; and the Earl of Loudon with the Forces under his Command, marching from Inverness, obliged a Body of the Rebels to raise the Blockade of Fort Augustus, which they had formed under the Command of the Son of Lord Lovat; and at the fame time the Macleod's and Monroe's scoured all the North of the Rebel Parties as far as to within 12 Miles of Aberdeen. Such were the Transactions in South and in North-Britain to the Close of the last Year, when the Rebels having been obliged to fly out of England, began again to gather Strength in the West of Scotland, and to refume their Defign of attacking Sterling Castle, though without Effect, as will be shewn in the succeeding Period.

IV. The Proceedings of the Rebels, from their Return into Scotland, to their Flight into the North.

THE Rebels having passed the River Eske, divided into two Bodies; the leffer, confifting of about two Thousand Men, marched on the twentieth of December to Ecclefeckan, and from thence the next Day to Moffat. The larger Body of about four Thousand proceeded to Annan, near the Sea-side, and on the twenty first marched to Dumfreis, where they continued all the next Day, and about eight in the Morning on the twentythird they moved Northwards. At Dumfreis they demanded two Thousand Pounds immediately, and tho' this was remonstrated against, as a Thing not only hard, but impracticable, yet it was peremptorily infifted on, and at last, eleven Hundred was accepted in ready Money, and two Gentlemen were taken away as Hostages for the other nine Hundred. On the twenty-third they halted at Drumlanerig, and thence continued their March to Glasgow, at which City they arrived on the twenty-fifth. In the mean time, the Northern Rebels were moving towards Perth under Lord John Drummond, Lord Lewis Gordon, the Master of Lovat, and some other of their Chiefs; so that now it appeared plainly their Defign was to collect all their Strength upon the Forth, in order to befiege Stirling Castle. This Body of the Rebels had some Artillery, Ammunition, and Money with them, which had been landed from on board some Spanish Privateers, and brought from the West Coast to Perth, which they fortified for a Place of Arms; fitting out an armed Sloop there, as they did the Hazard which they had taken, and 2 Rout Privateer at Montrofe. We

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It is not at all furprizing, that the Behaviour of the Rebels at Glasgow should, all these Provocations considered, be rather worse than in other Places, and so it was. They found themselves in a very rich City, abounding in whatever they wanted, and therefore they confidered it as a Magazine, and began to furnish themfelves immediately with Broad-cloth, Tartan, Linnen, Shoes and Stockings, to the Amount of ten Thousand Pounds Sterling; so that by this Means the Pretender in a manner new cloathed his Army, which proved a great Means of keeping them together, otherwise, in all Probability, the greater Part of them would have dispersed. On the third of January, having finished their Business at Glasgow, and gleaned up what they could, it was judged high Time to remove, and accordingly they marched that Day to Kilfyth. The next they proceeded to Banockbourne, and on the fifth, having now the best Part of their Forces together, they summoned the Castle and Town of Stirling to surrender. General Blakeney answered, that he would defend the Place to the last Extremity, and as he had lived he was determined to die a Man of Honour. The Town, which is indeed of no great Strength, after some Time spent in Treaty, surrendered, and the Rebels entered it upon the eighth, when having

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again summoned the Castle, to as little Purpose as before, they took a final Resolution of besieging it in Form with what Artillery they had, and accordingly prepared to put that Resolution

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His Majesty having thought fit to appoint Lieutenant General Hawley Commander in Chief of his Forces in North-Britain, and Major General Huske to command under him, the Troops that were to form the Army in the Neighbourhood of Edinburgh, marched thither with fo much Expedition, and whatever was requifite for their Ufe, or could contribute to facilitate their Motions, was fo readily supplied to them on their Rout, that by the tenth it was judged expedient to dispose Things for advancing towards the Relief of Stirling Castle; not that this Fortress, which from its Situation is of fome Importance, was in any Danger, for in Truth, the Rebels were but bungling Engineers, but because it would have given some Reputation to their Arms, in case they had continued this Siege for any Time without Interruption. Things being thus disposed, the Field Artillery ordered out, and all the necessary Precautions taken, it was refolved to begin the Operations by detaching Part of the Forces under Major General Huske, to dislodge the Earl of Kilmarnock from Falkirk, where he lay with most of the Cavalry belonging to the Rebel Army. On the thirteenth accordingly, the Forces appointed for this Service began to move towards Linlithgow, which they entered in the Evening, at the very Instant the Earlof Kilmarnock was marching in on the Side next Falkirk with some of his People; but having early Intelligence of the General's Purpose and Nearness, he retired with some Precipitation.

One may very reasonably doubt whether if the Rebels had not been interrupted, they would have been able to have profecuted their Siege of Stirling Castle with any Effect; though it must be owned they spared no Labour in getting thither their Artillery, though haraffed all the Time by the Vulture Sloop, and by small Craft filled with Soldiers, which did them confiderable Damage; neither, when it was brought thither, could they do much, their Batteries being injudiciously erected, and the Highlanders shewing a great Aversion to that kind of Service, for which they are naturally unfit, and the Garrison doing them a great deal of Mischief, tho' they were able to do little or none to the Garrison, and having scarce advanced their Siege at all while they staid before the Place. But whether they might or might not have fucceeded, it feems reasonable to enquire what Advantages they proposed to themselves by becoming Masters of this Place; and these (though they were many) might be reduced under these three. First, it would have given them Reputation at Home and Abroad, as Stirling Castle is famous, and reputed a Place of greater Im-

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After General Huske had taken Post at Linlithgow, Lord Kilmarnock thought proper to decamp the next Day from Falkirk, and to retire to the main Body of the Rebel Army before Stirling, On the fixteenth, General Huske, with the Forces under his Command, and the Remains of Gardiner's and Hamilton's Dragoons, took Poffession of Falkirk, and were followed thither foon after by General Hawley, and the rest of the Army. All that Day the Rebels were in continual Motion, but so that no fort of Judgment could be formed of their Intention; some reporting they were entrenching themseves in Torwood, others, that they feemed inclined to raife the Siege of Stirling, and many affirming they meant to advance and meet the King's Troops. At this Distance it is easy to say, Care should have been taken to obtain better Intelligence; but let us remember, that if an Enemy is really irrefolute (as was the Case) no certain Intelligence can be obtained. Lieut, General Hawley, however, having confidered the Situation of Affairs, and the several Accounts he had received, refolved to defer attacking the Rebels 'till the next Day, as well in regard to the Foulness of the Weather, as because he was desirous of obtaining such Intelligence as might enable him to make the most advantageous Dispositions for Acting against them with his Cavalry and Artillery,

Some Dragoons that had been fent to reconnoitre, returned about Noon with Intelligence, that the Rebels were actually in Motion, in order to attack the King's Forces, and by One they were feen in two Columns, about two Miles distance, endeavouring to gain fome rifing Grounds near the Moor of Falkirk. Upon this, the King's Forces got under Arms, and formed as foon as the finall Time they had would allow, and immediately marched to gain the Ground which the Rebels were endeavouring to reach on the Left of their Camp. This, though the Ground was above a Mile distant, they perform'd, but were scarce in Possession of it, before the Enemy came down in Order of Battle; out-stretching the King's Forces in such a Manner, that the Left of one Army was opposite the Center of the other. The King's Army being once formed, advanced in good Order, the Dragoons on the Left, and the Foot in two Lines. As foon as they came within a hundred Yards of the Enemy, the Dragoons were ordered to fall on Sword in Hand, and the two Lines

General Huske, by his great Vigilance and Prefence of Mind thewn on this Occasion, acquir'd the highest Reputation; and Brigadier Mordaunt was allow'd to have done all that could be expected from the most knowing and active Officer; nay, even in the Battalions where the Men did not behave fo well as might have been expected, their Officers shew'd themselves to great Advantage, and gave glorious Examples of Intrepidity, tho' they were but ill copied. This made the Loss fall heavier amongst them, in proportion, than has been usual on the like Occasions; and by comparison of private Letters the following List was drawn, and has been look'd upon as pretty exact.

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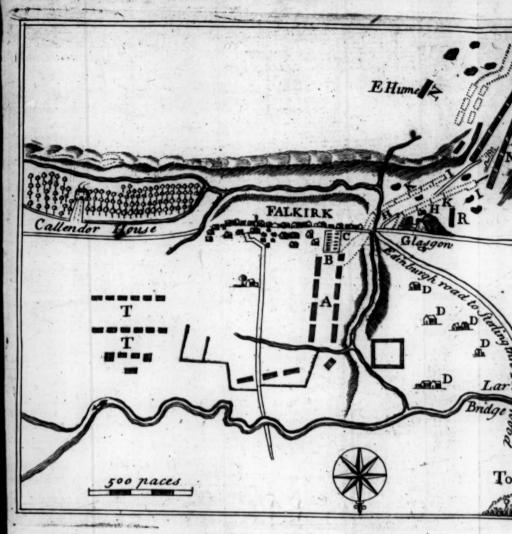
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neared to be; Officers excepted very finall, - It happened very luckily, that as this Action proved fatal to fo many Officers, it proved as fortunate to a great many others; for the Rebels having fent most of the Officers that were taken Prifoners at Preston Pans to Glames, Coupar and Listie, when they were drawing together their Forces about Stirling, the loyal Inhabitants of Dundee, and other Places, formed a Delign of rescuing them, and conducting them back to Edinburgh, which they executed with great Spirit and Diligence, and they arrived at that City on the nineteenth, the very next Day after the Army returned thither from Linkithgow. This releasing of these Officers at this Juncture was a very feafonable Service, as it visibly preferved them from being hurried by the Rebels into the North, as would undoubtedly have been the Case, if they had remained Prisoners



A Three Brigades, King's Foot encamped. B Dragoons C Artillery Park. D Argyllsbire Highlanders the advanced Bosts. N. B. Price's Foot and Cobcantoned at the advanced Bosts. bam's Dragoons cantoned at Falkirk, Gla/gow Militia cantoned at Calladar House. E Torwood Hill where the Rebels appeared about Eleven. F Hollow Ground by which the Rebels concealed their March to the Right. G Hill near Dunipace where the Rebels appeared about One at a Mile and a Half Distance. H March of the King's Troops by the Road. I Dragoons first formed. K Foot first formed. L Dragoons as they engaged. M Foot as formed when the Dragoons engaged N Glasgow Regiment. O Rebels as they moved up the Hill and engaged on the highest Ground. P Rebel Horse where the Pretender's Son was. Q Party of Rebels moving towards our Baggage. R Argyllshire Men and Lord Loudon's drawn up to oppose that Party. S Barrel's and Ligonier's.

In this Battle were, Lieut. Gen. Hawley, Commander, Major Gen. Huske, Brig. Gen. Mordaunt, Brig. Gen. Cholmondeley, Brig. Gen. Lord Sempill.

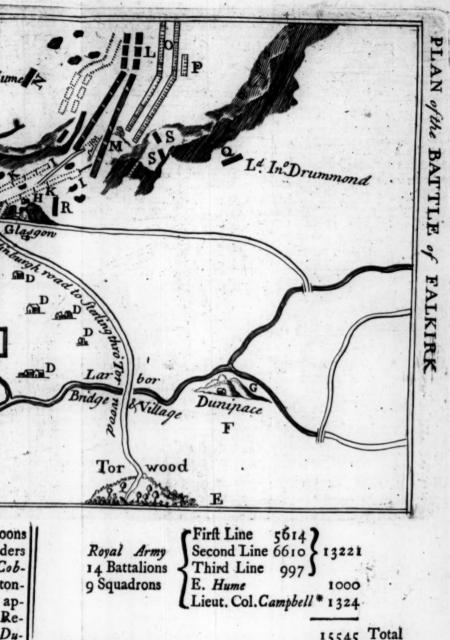
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Prisoners but a very few Days longer. It was likewise a full Proof of the steady Loyalty and fincere Attachment to the Government, of those who undertook to rescue them; fince they did it at a Time when the Rebels were flushed with their late Advantage, and might be probably supposed capable of taking a very severe Revenge on such as were concerned in it, if discovered, and in their Power; but the Confequence of the Thing will best appear by giving the Reader an Account of the Persons that were thus fet at Liberty.

LIST of the Officers retaken from the Rebels by the Militia of the Shire of Angus.

Col. Cochran's Reg. of Marines. Captains Barlo,

Lieut. Col. Whiteford.

General Guise's Regiment.

Lieut. Patton.

Enfign Wakeman.

Col. Lee's Regiment.

Capt. Lieut. Kennedy,

Enfign Archer.

Col. Tho. Murray's Regiment.

Major Talbot,

Captain Leslie. Lieut. Wall,

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Enfigns Sutherland.

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Col. Lascelle's Regiment.

Major Savern.

Captain Collier,

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Lieut. Swiney.

Enfigns Cox,

Goulton.

Lord Loudon's Regiment.

Capt. Monroe.

Capt. Lieut. Macnabb.

Lieut. Read.

Enfigns Grant,

M'lagen,

Meray,

Campbell.

Ligonier's Regiment.

Quarter-Masters West,

Young.

When the News of this Battle reached London, it made it necessary to provide for the immediate Extinction of so dangerous a Flame, by fending down a fufficient Number of Forces, not only to render the Army in Scotland more formidable than before, but to increase its Strength to such a Degree, as to free the Nation from any Apprehensions of its Consequences, in case the Enemy should grow more numerous, or the French and Spaniards perfift in their Defign of attempting an Invasion for their Support in any Part of His Majesty's Dominions. It was with this View, that a Resolution was taken of embarking the Hessian Troops in British Pay, then in the Neighbourhood of Antwerp, for Scotdend; and it was also thought convenient, that to restore the Spi-SEGOO

rit of the Soldiers, to extinguish all Animosities, and encourage the Well-affected in North-Britain, His Royal Highness the Duke should immediately go down thither. It is true, the embarking the Heffians at that Juncture, was in some Respects inconvenient, as the French had just discovered their Design of attacking Bruffels; but the Necessity of restoring our internal Tranquillity, was confess'd, both at Home and Abroad, of fuch high Importance to the Common Cause, as well as of so great Consequence to ourselves, that this Step was generally approved, as the Confequences which have attended it shew that it was undertaken upon right Motives. I might here mention fome other Methods that were made use of to frustrate the Designs of our Enemies, but as it is necessary for me to keep within due Bounds, I shall wave them for the present, in order to return again into North-Britain, and refume the Progress of our Army, after the necessary Preparations were made for taking the Field again, and marching a fecond Time to the Relief of the gallant General Blakeney, who still defended Stirling Castle with such Constancy and Courage as had made the Scots Rebels fo fick of this Siege, that their Commanders found it necessary to entrust their Works entirely to the Irish and French, who by this Means were excessively weakened and fatigued.

The Troops feem'd to be extremely mortified at this Miscarriage, and shew'd an earnest Desire to repair it by marching again to attack the Rebels, for which the necessary Preparations were inftantly made, and the Army, in a very few Days, was in every respect in a better Condition, and better provided than before. On the thirtieth in the Morning, to the great Surprize and Joy of the Army, his Royal Highness the Duke of Cumberland arrived at Edinburgh, after a Journey amazingly expeditious confidering the Rigour of the Season. He was receiv'd with all the Testimonies of Loyalty and Affection that could possibly be expressed, the Army looking upon his Prefence as a fure Omen of Victory, and all Ranks and Degrees of People being delighted at beholding a Prince with whose Reputation they were so well acquainted, and from whom they had just Reason to expect being restored to the peaceable Possession of those Blessings which, under the mild Government of the King his Father, they had, till the breaking out of this Rebellion constantly enjoy'd. The Sight of the Duke banish'd all Remembrance of the late untoward Accident, and the Troops shew'd uncommon Ardour to be led, bad as the Weather was,

into the Field again.

His Royal Highness review'd the Forces the very next Day, and marched them in two Columns, consisting of fourteen Battalions, the Argyleshire Men, together with Cobbam's and Mark Ker's Dragoons,

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Dragoons, in pursuit of the Rebels. He quarter'd that Night at Linlithgow with eight Battalions, Brigadier Mordaunt, with fix Battalions more, was at Burrowstoness, the Dragoons lay in the adjacent Villages, and Colonel Campbell, with the Argyleshire Men, took post in the Front of the Army towards the Avon. There was, at that time, a confiderable Body of the Rebels at Falkirk, who immediately retired towards Torwood, where it was given out they were to be join'd by the rest of their Forces from Stirling, though it was afterwards known there never was any fuch Intention. The next Morning his Royal Highness made the necessary Dispositions for prosecuting his March, at which time all the Officers and Soldiers expressed the greatest Eagerness and Alacrity imaginable. The March was hardly begun before Advice was brought that the Rebels, instead of preparing for an Engagement, were actually repaffing the Forth with all Diligence; and what gave credit to this, was their advanc'd Guards retiring every where with the utmost Precipitation. This News was foon after put out of dispute by the Noise they heard of two great Reports like the blowing up of Magazines, upon which Brigadier Mordaunt was detach'd with the Argyleshire Men and the Dragoons to harrass the Rebels in their Retreat. The Brigadier, with the Troops under his Command, arrived at Stirling late that Evening, where they found the Rebels had abandoned their Camp, with all their Artillery, and had blown up a great Magazine they had of Powder and Ball in the Church of St. Ninian; and that with fo little Care or Discretion that feveral of the Country People were buried in the Ruins. They likewife left behind them all the wounded Men they had made Prisoners in the late Action, and about twenty of their own fick Men; but it was fo late when the King's Forces arriv'd, that it was judg'd needless to continue the Pursuit.

On the fecond of February, about one in the Afternoon, his Royal Highness enter'd Stirling, and receiv'd the Compliments of General Blakeney, and the Officers of his Garrison on that memorable Occasion; and at the same time, his Royal Highness was pleased to testify his entire Satisfaction with respect to the gallant Desence the General had made, by which a Place of so much Importance had been preserved, and the Designs of the Enemy deseated. In the mean time, the Rebels were occupied in making all the Dispatch in their Power, that they might be entirely out of reach before Stirling Bridge could be repaired for the Passage of the Army. Part of them took the Road by Taybridge, towards the Hills, the rest consisting of Lord Lewis Gordon's Men, the Remains of the French, those commanded by Lord Ogilvie, and the sew Horse they had, got into Perth the very Night that Brigadier Mordaunt arrived at Stirling; and tho'

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they had taken a great deal of Pains in throwing up feveral Works for the Security of that Place, yet they began to abandon it, and to continue their March northwards the next Morning: Lord John Drummond, with the Remains of the Scotch and Irish that came from France, made the best of their Way towards Montrofe, and on the third of February the Town of Perth was totally evacuated. They left behind them there thirteen Pieces of Iron Cannon, eight and twelve Pounders, nail'd up, and threw a vast Quantity of Ammunition into the River, together with fourteen Swivel Guns that had been taken out of the Hazard Sloop; and fet at liberty the Sailors that had been confined there from the time that Vessel was taken, but they thought fit to carry Captain Hill, who commanded her, along with them, and some few other Prisoners of the better Sort.

It is evident that this Retreat of theirs was made with the utmost Hurry and Precipitation, and yet it was barely made in Time; for on the fourth, by fix in the Morning, the Bridge of Stirling was repaired, fo that the Army passed over it, and the advanced Guard, confifting of the Argyleshire Highlanders and the Dragoons, marched that Night as far as Crief, but the Foot were canton'd in and about Dumblain, where the Duke took up his Quarters that Evening, and the next Day the advanced Guards took Possession of Perth, which brings us to the End of the Operations that fall within the Compass of this Period; which shall be closed with observing, that scarce any History can shew a more illustrious Instance of the Effects of a General's Reputation than this before us, fince in the Space of a fingle Week, his Royal Highness quitted the Court of the King his Father, put himself at the Head of the Forces in Scotland, and faw the Enemy flying with Precipitation before him. To endeavour to heighten this Event by any Strains of Compliment or Panegyric would be to obscure it, the bare Recital of the Matter of Fact is the noblest Eulogium; and the only Thing that can be added is this, that as furprizing and incredible as it may feem to Posterity, it must be at present allowed a Truth notorious to the whole British Nation.

V. The History of the REBELLION, continued to its happy Extinction, by the glorious Victory at Culloden.

HE Rebels were very fensible how much the News of this Retreat of theirs, which had so much Resemblance to a Flight, would alarm their Friends both at Home and Abroad; and therefore they dispersed several Papers to assign such Reasons for it as they judged might give it a fair Appearance, alledging that their Men were fo loaded with Booty, that they were con-

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strained to let them carry it Home; that after so fatiguing a Campaign some Recess was necessary; and that when they had refreshed and recruited their Forces, they would not fail to make a fresh Irruption into the Lowlands in the Spring. But whatever Reasons they might pretend, the true Motives of their Conduct were these: They judged, that by drawing the War into the Highlands, they should make it extremely burthensome, and uneafy to the King's Forces, obtain frequent Opportunities of harraffing and furprifing them, and have a fair Chance for rendering them weary of following them through Countries, where they thought it impossible for them to have Magazines, and other Requisites for an Army of their Force. In the next Place they perfuaded themselves, that the removing the War into the Highlands, and the Report they spread of the Severities that would be inflicted by the King's Troops, must keep their Men together, which they now found a very difficult Talk; and would also contribute to increase their Strength. They had befides these another Reason, which was, the giving a fair Opportunity to their Friends the French, of attempting an Invalion in the South; which they flattered themselves would afford such a Diversion as would free them from all their Difficulties: to all this might be added, that they had formed a Project of making themselves Masters of the Chain or Line of Fortifications, that run along the North of Scotland from Fort William to Inverness; and thereby secure the Country behind them, and at the same Time afford Means for the French and Spaniards to fend them Reinforcements and Supplies, of which they had hitherto had large Promises, though but slight and ineffectual Per-

His Royal Highness the Duke of Cumberland, who penetrated all their Views, took the most proper Methods that could be contrived for the defeating them. He gave Orders for the Army to march by different Roads (but in fuch Bodies as prevented all Danger of Surprise) to Aberdeen, where he proposed to fix his head Quarters, to raife Magazines, and to receive fuch Succours and Supplies as from Time to Time might be requifite by Sea from the South. As the Hessian Troops were now in Scotland, his Royal Highness took Care to dispose of them and some other Bodies of English Troops at Perth, Dunkeld, the Castle of Blair, Castle of Menzies and other Places, by which he effectually fecured the Paffage into the Lowlands, and put it out of the Power of the Rebels to return that Way into the South. General Campbell, with the Argyleshire Men, undertook the Security of Fort William, a Place at that Time of infinite Importance, as it fecured another Passage through the West of Scotland, by which the Rebels might again have made their Way into England. Thefe Precautions

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cautions taken, his Royal Highness set out in Person for Aberdeen, where he arrived on the twenty-eighth of February. The necessary Dispositions having been made for continuing the Operations of the War, it was judged expedient to make some Examples of fuch as had misbehaved, for the better Support of Difcipline, at a Time when it was fo necessary for the Security and Reputation of the Army; a Court-Martial was accordingly held at Montrofe, by which an Officer in the Artillery, who had deferted the Train in the Action at Falkirk, was condemn'd to have his Sword broke over his Head by the Provoft, his Sash thrown on the Ground, and himself turned out of the Army; which was executed accordingly at the Head of the Artillery. A Lieutenant of Fleming's Regiment was broke for disobeying Orders, forfeiting his Word, and prevaricating before the Court-Martial, in relation to plundering the House of Mr. Oliphant of Gask, at that Time with the Rebels: so little Colour there was for the Reports spread that Plundering was connived at, if not allowed; tho' nothing could be more incompatible with the Difcipline of a regular Army, as well as the Constitution of the

Country that Army was employed to defend.

The Rebels, in Profecution of their Defigns, made it their first Care to become Mafters of Inverness, a Town of pretty confiderable Trade on the East Side of the Highlands, with a good Port, and a small Fortress, sometimes called the Castle of Invernels, but more properly Fort George, to defend it. The Earl of Loudon was then there with a Body of about 1500 Men, most of them hastily raised for the Service of the Government, with whom, upon the Approach of the Rebels to within a very small Distance of the Place, he marched out in order to act offensively; but finding that impracticable, and that the Enemy were much ftronger than he expected, he judged it proper to retreat, which he did on the 20th of February, without the Loss of a Man, leaving two independent Companies under the Command of Major Grant, in Fort George, with Orders to defend it to the last Extremity. But it feems these Orders were but indifferently obeyed; for the Place was foon after furrendered to the Rebels, upon which the Chevalier remov'd his Quarters thither, having with him about 4000 Men. This Success, and the News of surprising some Parties of well-affected Highlanders not far from the Castle of Blair, raised their Spirits a little, notwithstanding the Badness of their Quarters, want of Pay, Scarcity of Provisions, and other Inconveniencies. As a Proof of this we may confider their Refolution to profecute their original Defign of reducing the Chain; and accordingly they next attacked Fort Augustus, a very small Place, and only important by its Situation between Inverness and Fort William, in which there was a very small Garrison, of no more

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more than three Companies of Guise's Regiment, under the Command of Major Wentworth; fo that it was speedily reduced, and as speedily demolished, which was the same Fate that Fort George had met with: a clear Demonstration that they did not think it necessary to have any Garrison in that Part of the Country. But as they were still incommoded by the Neighbourhood of the Earl of Loudon, who lay at their Back with only the Frith of Murray between them; the Duke of Perth, the Earl of Cromarty, and fome of the rest of their Chief Commanders resolved to attempt the furprizing that Earl by the Help of Boats, which they drew together on their Side of the Water; and taking the Advantage of a Fog, executed their Scheme fo effectually, that falling upon the King's Forces under the Earl's Command unexpectedly, they cut off some, made a few Officers Prisoners, and obliged Lord Loudon to retire with the rest out of Sutherland. But the' these little Advantages ferved to make a Noise, and to keep up the Spirits of their Party, yet they did them little real Service; and their Money beginning to run short, and Supplies both at Home and Abroad failing their Expectations, caused great Divisions and

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It is now Time for us to shew what his Royal Highness the Duke was doing at Aberdeen; where, though the Rigour of the Season, the Badness of the Roads, and the Difficulty of supporting fo great a Number of Men as he had under his Command, were fufficient to exercise the Abilities of the most experienced Commander; yet he disposed of the Troops in such a Manner, as that he provided effectually for their Safety and Subfiftence, and at the same Time took Care to diffress the Rebels as much as it was possible; for the very Day after he joined the Army, he detached the Earl of Ancram with one hundred Dragoons, and Major Morris with 300 Foot to the Castle of Corgarf, at the Head of the River Don, forty Miles from Aberdeen, and in the Heart of the Country then in Possession of the Rebels, wherein his Royal Highness had Information of their having a confiderable Magazine of Arms and Ammunition, which his Lordship had Orders to seize or to destroy; which Commission he executed very effectually; for the Rebels retiring upon his Approach, he became Mafter of the Place and all that was in it; but for want of Horses to carry them off, was obliged to destroy most of the Arms, and thirty Barrels of Powder. On the 16th of March having Intelligence that Roy Steuart with about 1000 Foot and 60 Hussars were at Strathbogie, his Royal Highness ordered Lieutenant General Bland to drive them from thence, and at the fame Time ordered Brigadier General Mordaunt with four Battalions and as many Pieces of Cannon to march and support the Major-General, if there should be Occasion. On the 17th the

the Major-General advanced to Strathbogie, and was almost within Sight of the Place before the Rebels had any Notice of his Approach, which alarmed them to fuch a Degree, that they quitted their Post and retired with great Precipitation towards Keith; and tho' the Evening was wet and hazy, yet the Volunteers under the Marquis of Granby, Colonel Conway, and Captain Halden, continued the Pursuit till it was almost dark. But this Success was attended with some little Check: For General Bland having detached a Captain of Highlanders with 70 of his Men, and 30 of King ston's Horse, with Orders to clear that Place and then rejoin the Army, they, contrary to his Directions, ventured to quarter there that Night, which gave the Rebels an Opportunity of furprizing them; for returning from Fochabers, whither they had retired, they furrounded the Village of Keith in the Night, entered it at both Ends, attacked the Campbells who were quartered in the Church-yard, and after an obstinate Resistance cut most of them to Pieces; but the Cornet who commanded Kingfton's Horse, retired with some of those under his Command; which Accident made the Troops more careful, fo that nothing of that Kind happened for the future. Indeed the Disposition his Royal Highness immediately made, put all Attempts of that Sort out of the Enemies Power, the Royal Army being divided into 3 Cantonments, in the following Manner, viz. The whole first Line, confisting of fix Battalions, the Duke of Kingston's Horse, and Cobham's Dragoons, lay at Strathbogie, within 12 Miles of the Spey, under the Command of the Earl of Albemarle, and Major-General Bland. The Reserve, consisting of three Battalions and 4 Pieces of Cannon, under the Command of Brigadier General Mordaunt, were at Old-Meldrum, half Way between Strathbogie and Aberdeen; and the whole fecond Line, confifting of the fix remaining Battalions, and Lord Mark Ker's Regiment of Dragoons, remained at Aberdeen.

The Rebels being very well apprifed of the great Importance of Fort William, (the taking of which would have made them Masters of the whole Extent of Country from East to West, and from Sea to Sea, and would besides have open'd them a Passage, as has been before observed, into Argyleshire and the West of Scotland, resolved to leave nothing unattempted that might contribute to the Reduction of this Fortress; and therefore ordered Brigadier Stapleton with a large Body of their best Men, most of their Engineers, and as good a Train as they could furnish, that Way in the Beginning of March; and on the 2d or 3d of that Month about one thousand Men arrived at Glenavis, which is within two Miles of Fort William, and about this Time they took a Boat belonging to the Baltimore Sloop, which was employed in the Service of the Garrison. But Captain Askew of

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the Serpent Sloop, detaching his own Boat, with another belonging to the Baltimore, and a third, belonging to the Garrison of Fort William, with about seventy Men in them, forced the Rebels from the Narrows of Carron, where they were posted, and made themselves Masters of all their Boats. This was on the 4th of March, and was a very effectual and well-tim'd Service: But notwithstanding this Check, the Rebels persisted in their Design of attacking this Fortress, and with very great Labour and Difficulty brought up their Artillery, and made the necessary Dispositions for that Purpose. As the Siege of Fort William was the only regular Operation of that Kind that happened during the Continuance of the Rebellion, it may not be amiss to give the Reader a regular Journal of it, as drawn up at the Time by an Officer of the Garrison; which will shew how little the Rebels were able to do against Places of any Strength, when defended by Officers of Experience, Fidelity, and Courage.

Journal of the Siege of Fort William.

March the fourteenth, we began to heighten the Parapets of our Walls, on the Side where we apprehended the Rebels would attack us. This Work continued the whole Week through, till the two Faces of the Bastions were raised seven Foot high. On the fifteenth a Detachment of the Garrison, with some Men belonging to his Majesty's Sloops of War, went in armed Boats, to endeavour to destroy Kilmady Barns, commonly called the Corpoch; the Rebels thereupon flocked down in great Numbers; we fired some Swivels from our Boats, several fmall Shot were exchanged, we had a Sailor killed, and three Men wounded; the Tide falling, this Scheme miscarried. On the eighteenth the Baltimore, Captain Richard How, went up towards Kilmady Barns, in order to protect the Landing our Men; he fired feveral Shot and threw fome Cohorn Shells, and fet one Hovel on Fire, but could not attempt Landing, for the Rebels were intrenched by a hollow Road, or Rill, and in great The Baltimore's Guns being only four Pounders, had no Effect on the Stone Walls of these Barns, which the Rebels had loop-holed. We brought our People back without any

On the nineteenth we heard that the Man whom we fired at last Sunday, was an Engineer in Chief of the Rebels, and was dangerously wounded; we also heard that we kill'd four Rebels at Corpoch. Yesterday three Centinels and a Drummer of Guise's Regiment made their Escape from the Rebels to us; they were

taken at Fort Augustus.

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The twentieth, feveral Parties covering our Turff-Diggers, had Skirmishes with the Rebels on the Neighbouring Hills; and as both Sides skulked behind Crags and Rocks, we received no Damage, and believe we did as little. That Evening about eleven o'Clock the Rebels opened the Siege by discharging seventeen Royals or small Bombs, of five Inches and a half Diameter, weighing about fixteen and eighteen Pounds each, and loaded with sourteen Ounces of Powder, from a Battery erected on a small Hill, called the Sugar-Loaf, about eight hundred Yards off, which because of the Distance, did no Execution, the greatest part of them falling short; and there were returned from the Garrison against the Rebels, eight Bombs of eighteen Inches Diameter, six Cohorns, one Twelve-Pounder, five Six-Pounders, and two Swivels.

On Friday the twenty-first, the Rebels finding their Batteries too far off, erected a new one at the Foot of the Cow-Hill, about four hundred Yards off, from which between twelve and four in the Morning they discharged eighty-four of their Royals, which did little Damage, save penetrating thro' the Roofs of several Houses, beating down two Floors, and slightly wounding two Men of Ollir's Company, and a young Man belonging to the Garrison; and there were returned against them twenty Bombs,

nine Cohorns, three Six-Pounders, and two Swivels.

On the twenty-fecond, the Rebels opened their Battery of Cannon from Sugar-Loaf Hill, confifting only of three Guns of Six and Four-Pounders; but discharged only seven Times, and that without doing any Damage. About twelve o' Clock on this Day, they fent a French Drum towards the Fort, who upon his Approach beat a Parley; and being ordered to come near the Walls, Captain Scot, our Commander, asked him what he came about? To which he answer'd, that General Stapleton, who commanded the Siege, by Directions from the Pretender's Son, had fent him with a Letter to the commanding Officer of the Garrison, requiring him to surrender. Captain Scot answered that he would receive no Letters from Rebels, and that he was determined to defend the Fort to the last Extremity. The Drummer being returned to the Rebels with this Answer, a close Bonbarding enfued on both Sides, for fome Hours; at last we filence them by beating down the Battery. About ten that Night the Rebels opened a fecond Bomb-Battery, near the Bottom of the faid Cow-Hill, about three hundred Yards off; from which, and their Battery upon the Sugar-Loaf Hill, they discharged before three in the Morning, one hundred and ninety-four of the Royals, and fix Cannon against us, but without doing any far ther Damage than penetrating through some Roofs. We di not return them one Shell, but kept all our Men within Doors excep

except the Piquet, to stand by the Fire-Engine; the Governour,

and most of the Officers being upon the Ramparts.

On the twenty-third, as foon as Day-light appeared, we fired twenty-three Bombs, two Cohorns, two Twelve-Pounders, feven Six-Pounders, and fix Swivels at the Rebels Batteries; some of which must have torn up their Platforms. They in Return fired feveral Cannon upon us, but did no Harm, fave shooting off the Leg of Donald M'Indeor, of Balinbay's Company. About three this Afternoon some Vessels appeared with Supplies for us, and as foon as they had dropped Anchor, the Garrison all at once discharged eight Twelve-pounders, two Six-pounders, two Bombs, and feveral Cohorns against their Batteries, which were all so well levelled, that not only a great part of their Battery was beat down, but they visibly occasioned a great deal of Confusion The Men from the Ships faw feveral amongst amongst them. the Rebels fall. We understood they had given out that they would burn this Place in four Hours after their last Battery was erected. All this Evening the Rebels were employed in erecting another Work or Battery, under Cover of their Cannon; but about three hundred Yards off at the Foot of the Cow-Hill, which was espied from the Top-mast of some of the Ships.

On the twenty-fourth, we fired but little, and the Rebels little also; we employed the greatest part of this Day in getting our

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On the twenty-fixth, we fired flowly at their Batteries on the Hills; and as they only fired from two Guns, we concluded that we had difmounted the third. This Afternoon our Boats returned with Cattle and Sheep from the Country near Airdfhields; they also brought in four Prisoners, one of which was wounded; the Party burned two Rebel Villages, and Appin's Estate. This Night Captain Scot went out and dammed up some Drains near our Walls, in Hopes of Rainy Weather, to make a small Inundation, and with some Pioneers raised the Glacis or rather Parapet, to seven Feet. For want of Pallisadoes we could not make a right Cover'd-way, but still this will prevent the Rebels seeing the Foot of our Walls.

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On the twenty-seventh, at Day-break, the Rebels opened their new Battery of four Embrazures, but only with three Guns Six-Pounders, with which they fired very brifkly. We plied them with our Mortars and Guns, and filenced one Gun before eight in the Morning. About nine we fet their Battery Magazine on Fire, which blew up; their Fire was mostly laid at our Buildings, which they could not reach very low. We had this Day two Men a little bruifed, and the Governor's Horse wounded in the Stable. Thus in eight Days Siege and pretty fmart Firing with Cannon, and three hundred fix Inch Shells thrown at us, we have loft but one Man killed, feven wounded, and two bruifed.

On the thirty-first, Captain Scot ordered twelve Men from each Company to march out to the Craigs, about a hundred Yards from the Garrison, where the Rebels had a Battery, which after fome Dispute and the Loss of one Man only, viz. Serieant Duncan Steuart of the Argyleshire Troops, they rushed in upon, and made themselves Masters of. They brought in three Brass Field Pieces Four-Pounders, and two Cohorns, from which the Rebels threw their Shells; and brought off another Brass Cannon, a Six-Pounder, which being too heavy to drag in, they spiked and left under the Walls, whence they afterwards dismounted it by Cannon-Shot. The other large Cannon and Mortars on that Battery, they likewise spiked, and left there; and brought in two Prisoners. The Rebels still continued with five Cannon they had mounted, to give us all the Uneafiness in their Power, and destroyed the Roofs of most of the Houses; but we did not mind that, the Men being fafe.

On the third of April, the Rebels on a fudden raised their Siege, deferted their Batteries, and with great Precipitation marched for Inverness; upon which Captain Scot detached a Party of the Garrison, which secured eight Pieces of Cannon and seven Mortars, the Enemy had left behind them. The Defeat of this Enterprize feemed to be the Prelude to the many Difasters that followed upon the Heels one of another, till their Affairs became wholly desperate, and the Force of the Rebels was entirely crushed by the de-

cifive Action of Culloden.

The Reason of this sudden and hasty Retreat of the Rebels from before this Fortress, was the Necessity the young Pretender was under of drawing together all his Forces in the Neighbourhood of Inverness, upon the Approach of the King's Army. But before we come to treat of the Measures taken by them after this Junction, it is requifite that we should give some Account of another Misfortune which befel them, which was no less fatal in its Consequences, than the Disappointment of their Design against Fort William. We have already observed that they were in great

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Distress for Money, and other Necessaries, and waited impatiently for a Supply from France; which they hoped, notwithstanding the Miscarriage of so many small Vessels that had been sent them, would soon arrive on board the Hazard Sloop, to which they had given the Name of the Prince Charles Snow, and which they had Intelligence was at Sea, with a considerable Quantity of Gold on board, and a good Number of experienced Officers and Engineers,

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On the twenty-fifth of March, this long-looked-for Veffel arrived in Tongue Bay, into which she was followed by his Majesty's Ship the Sheerness, commanded by Captain Obrien, who immediately attacked her. In the Engagement the Hazard Sloop had a great many Men killed, and many more wounded; fo that not being able to maintain the Fight, she ran ashore on the Shallows where the Sheerness could not follow her; and there she landed her Men and Money. The Place on which the ran on Shore (after being chased fifty-fix Leagues) was in the Lord Rea's Country; and it happened, there was then at his Lordship's House, his Son Captain Mackay, Sir Henry Monro, Lord Charles Gordon, Captain Macleod, and about eighty Men of Lord Loudon's Regiment, that had retired thither when the Rebels attacked them by Boats, as has been before related. These Gentlemen having animated the Soldiers to attack, notwithstanding the Superiority of Numbers, those who landed from the Prince Charles Snow, obtained after a short Dispute, a compleat Victory, only three or four being killed on the Side of the Rebels, and with little or no Loss on their Side. Besides five Chests of Money and a confiderable Quantity of Arms, they took a hundred and fifty-fix Officers, Soldiers, and Sailors Prisoners, with whom they embarked on Board the Sheerness Man of War, and fail'd directly for Aberdeen, together with another Prize Captain Obrien had taken in the Orkneys. The Money besides one Chest that was missing, and what had been taken out of another that was broke, amounted to twelve Thousand and five Hundred Guineas; and amongst the Prisoners there were forty experienced Officers, who had been long either in the French-or the Spanish Service.

At the same Time that the Rebels employed so considerable a Part of their Forces in attacking Fort William, they sent another Body under the Command of Lord George Murray, to make a like Attempt upon the Castle of Blair, the principal Seat of his Grace the Duke of Athol, but a Place of no great Force, and in which there was only a small Garrison under the Command of Sir Andrew Agnew; which Siege, or rather Blockade, they raised with the same Hurry and Precipitation on the Approach of the Earl of Crawford, as they did that of Fort William, upon the

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very fame Day, and from the fame Motives. So that we have run through all their Operations in as clear and as succinct a Manner as possible, and have shewn how all their several Bodies were drawn off in order to join the young Chevalier, and to enable him to make a Stand at Inverness. We shall now therefore return to the King's Forces, under the Command of his Royal Highness the Duke, which we left properly disposed to march as soon as the Season and Roads would permit, to put an End to this unnatural Rebellion by one general and decisive Action.

The Troops, notwithstanding the Severity of the Winter, and the Fatigues they had endured by making a double Campaign, were in the Beginning of April fo well refreshed and in such excellent Order, that they were every way fit for Service; and h far from apprehending any thing from the Impetuofity of the Highlanders, or the Advantage they had in lying behind a very deep and rapid River, that they shewed the greatest Eagerness to enter upon 'Action; which tho' his Highness encouraged, and took every Measure possible for keeping up this Ardour in his Army, yet he acted with great Deliberation, and did not move till the Weather was fettled, and there was no Danger that the Cavalry should suffer for Want of Forage. At length they move on the Eighth from Aberdeen, and encamped on the Eleventh Cullen, where my Lord Albemarle joined them; and the whole Army was affembled, and next Day marched to the Spey, an passed it with no other Loss than of one Dragoon and four Wo men, who were all drowned thro' Hurry and Indiscretion. Major General Husk was detached in the Morning with fifteen Com panies of Grenadiers, the Highlanders and all the Cavalry, an two Pieces of Cannon, and his Royal Highness went with the himself. On their first Appearance the Rebels retired from the Side of the Spey towards Elgin; whereupon the Duke of King fton's Horse immediately forded over, sustained by the Grenadies and Highlanders, but the Rebels were all got out of their Read before they could pass. The Foot waded over as fast as they at rived, and tho' the Water came up to their Middles they went a with great Chearfulness. The Rebels appeared to be between two and three Thousand, but they did not make an Opposition either while the King's Troops were paffing, or when Part them had passed and were on the other Side the Spey; for which Conduct of their's it feems very difficult to affign any Real unless it were that their Officers being sensible that the Artilles of the King's Troops would fecure their Passage, they were u willing to run the Risk of dispiriting their Men by an unsuccess Attempt of that Kind; and therefore chose not to dispute the Passage of the Spey, but to deceive their Men into an Opinio

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The King's Army marched on to Elgin and Forres, and from thence to Nairn, where they halted on the Fifteenth, and where the Rebels thought to have furprized them; but the Vigilance and strict Discipline his Royal Highness maintained, absolutely disappointed them; notwithstanding which they set Fire to and destroyed Fort Augustus, called in all their Parties, and prepared for a general Engagement, which followed the next Day. We have had several Accounts of this great and decisive Action; but the clearest and most distinct, as well as the most authentick, is that dispatched by his Royal Highness dated from Inverness, April the 18th, and to which therefore we think it best to adhere.

WE gave our Men a Day's Halt at Nairn, and on the 16th marched between four and five, in four Columns. The three Lines of Foot (reckoning the Reserve for one) were broken into three from the Right, which made three Columns equal, and each of five Battalions. The Artillery and Baggage followed the first Column on the Right, and the Cavalry made the fourth Column on the Left.

After we had marched about eight Miles, our advanced Guards, composed of about forty of Kingston's and the Highlanders, led on by the Quartermaster-General, perceived the Rebels at some Distance making a Motion towards us on the Left; upon which we immediately formed; but finding the Rebels still were a good Way from us, and that the whole Body did not come forward, we put ourselves again upon our March in our former Posture, and continued it to within a Mile of them, where we again formed in the fame Order as before. After reconnoitring their Stuation, found them posted behind some old Walls and Huts in a Line with Culloden-House. As we thought our Right intirely secure, General Hawley and General Bland went to the Left with the two Regiments of Dragoons, to endeavour to fall upon the right Flank of the Rebels, and Kingston's Horse were ordered to the Reserve. The ten Pieces of Cannon were disposed, two in each of the Intervals of the first Line, and all our Highlanders (except about one Hundred and forty, which were upon the Left with General Hawley, and who behaved extreamly well) were left to guard the Baggage.

When we advanced within five hundred Yards of the Rebels, we found the Morass upon our Right was ended, which left our right Flank quite uncovered to them. His Royal Highness thereupon immediately ordered Kingston's Horse from the Reserve, and a little Squadron of about fixty of Cobham's which had been

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patroling, to cover our Flank, and Pultney's Regiment was or-

dered from the Reserve to the Right of the Royals.

We spent about half an Hour after that, trying which should gain the Flank of the other; and his Royal Highness having sent Lord Bury forward within one hundred Yards of the Rebels, to reconnoitre fomewhat that appeared like a Battery to us, they thereupon began firing their Cannon, which was extreamly il ferved and ill pointed. Ours immediately answered them, which began their Confusion. They then came running on in their wild Manner. And upon the Right, where his Royal Highness had placed himself, imagining the greatest Push would be there, they came down three feveral Times within a hundred Yards of our Men, firing their Pistols and brandishing their Swords. But the Royals and Pultney's hardly took their Firelocks from their Shoulders; fo that after those faint Attempts they made off, and the little Squadron on our Right were fent to purfue them. General Hawley had by the Help of our Highlanders beat down two little Stone Walls, and came in upon the right Flank of their Line.

As their whole first Line came down to attack at once, their Right somewhat outstanked Barrel's Regiment; which was out Lest, and the greatest part of the little Loss we suffained was there. But Bligh's and Sempil's giving a Fire upon those who had outstanked Barrel's, soon repulsed them; and Barrel's Regiment, and the Lest of Munro's fairly beat them with their Bayonets; there was scarce a Soldier or Officer of Barrel's, or in that part of Monro's which engaged, who did not kill one or two Men each with their Bayonets and Spontoons.

The Cavalry, which had charged from their Right and Left, met in the Center, except two Squadrons of Dragoons, which we missed, and they were gone in Pursuit of the Runaways Lord Ancram was ordered to pursue with the Horse, as far as he could; and did it with so good Effect, that a very considerable

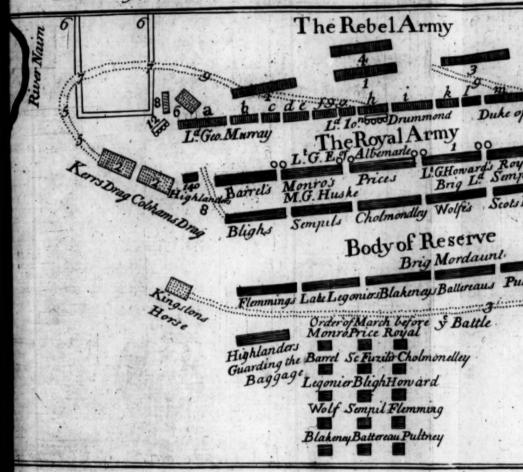
Number were killed in the Pursuit.

As we were on our March to Inverness, and were near arrived there, Major General Bland sent the annexed Papers, which he received from the French Officers and Soldiers, surrendering themselves Prisoners to his Royal Highness. Major General Bland had also made great Slaughter, and took about fifty French Officers and Soldiers Prisoners, in his Pursuit. By the best Calculation that can be made, 'tis thought the Rebels lost two thousand Menupon the Field of Battle, and in the Pursuit.

We have omitted the Lists annexed to this Account, as well for the Sake of keeping within Bounds, as because they could not be very exact at that Time, but were afterwards much enlarged. All the French Officers on the seventeenth signed a Writ-

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PLAN of the BATTLE of CULLODEN



The REBEL ARMY.

The young Pretender's Station; Lord Lewis Gordon's, and Glenbucket's, 800 Men. — 2 These have only Guns, Col. by Stewart, 800. — 3 These have only Guns, Kilmarnock, 500. — 4 Duke of Perth's Regiment, and Lord Ogilvie's, 500. — 5 Guards, Hussars, and Perthshire Squadron. — Fitz James's Horse. — 7 Lord John Drummond, 400. — Piquets, by Stapleton, French, 400.—12 Four Gun Batteries. 2 Glengary, 600. — b Keppoch, 300. — c Clanronald, 250. d M'Lean, 100. — e M'Leod, 100. — f M'Intosh, 300. — Garquharson, 200. — h M'Intosh. 400. — i Lowat, 500. — Cluny, 300. — 1 Appin, 200. — m Lockiel, 500. — n Athol, 50. — Total, 8350.

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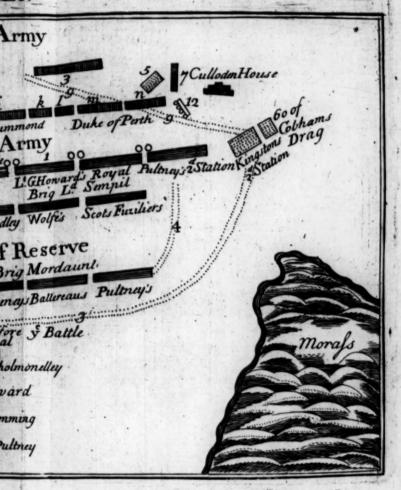
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1 His Royal Highness the Duke's Station. — 2 General Hawley and General Bland. — 3 4 March of Kingston's Horse and Pultney's Foot, from the Reserve, to cover our Right Flank, when the Morass was finished. — 5 March of General Hawley, with Kerr's and Cobbam's Dragoons, and 140 Highlanders, to the two Walls that cover'd the Right Flank of the Rebels second Line. — 6 The two Walls. 7 The Walls broke down by our Highlanders. — 8 March of Bligh's and Sempil's Regiments to the Assistance of Barrel's Regiment, who were out-slank'd. — 9 All our Horse driving thro' the Rebel Army, and meeting in their Centre. — 6 Cannon,

g, acknowledging themselves Prisoners of War to his Britanck Majesty, and promising so to remain upon their Parole of onour. Amongst which were Brigadier Stapleton, the Marquiss Guilles, whom the Highlanders call the French Ambassador, ord Lewis Drummond, and about fifty more. The Loss on the ide of the King's Army was very inconsiderable, the only Perns of Note killed being Lord Robert Kerr, Captain in Barrel's tegiment, Captain Grosset of Price's, Captain John Campbell of oudon's, Captain Colin Campbell of the Militia; besides these, sty private Men killed, and two hundred and fifty wounded.

The Number of all the Persons taken in this signal Victory ere two hundred and twenty-two French, and three hundred nd twenty-fix Rebels; all their Artillery and Ammunition, with ther Military Stores and twelve Colours likewise fell into the lands of the Victors. The Earl of Kilmarnock was taken in the Action; Lord Balmerine, at first reported to be killed, was takn foon after; and four Ladies that had been very active in he Rebellion, were likewise seized at Inverness; viz. Lady Ogilvie, Lady Kinloch, Lady Gordon, and Lady Mackintofh. mmediately after the Battle, Brigadier Mordaunt was detached with the Volunteers to the Number of nine hundred into the Frazer's Country, in order to reduce all who should be found in Arms there; and with the like View other Detachments were made into other difaffected Parts of the Country, which put it entirely out of the Power of the Rebels to affemble afterwards in any Body, capable of diffurbing the Peace of the Country, being reduced to the Necessity of separating into small Parties, in order to shift the better for themselves. About the same Time that the whole Forces of the Rebels were thus vanquished at the Battle of Gulloden, the Earl of Cromarty, his eldest Son, a great many Officers of Diffinction, and about one hundred and fifty private Men were furprifed in the North, by a very small Party of his Majesty's Loyal Subjects, who sent them Prisoners on board his Majesty's Sloop the Hound, Captain Dove, from Sutherland to Inverness, where they arrived about the Time his Royal Highness made his fecond Dispatch.

Thus the Flame of this Rebellion, which after being smothered for a Time in Scotland, broke out at last with such Force, as to spread itself into England, and not without Reason alarmed the Inhabitants of this Metropolis, was in a short Space totally extinguished by him who gave the first Check to its Force; and who perhaps alone was capable of performing this Service to his Country, his Father, and his King. It is sufficiently known, how great a Hazard the Person runs of displeasing him, who praises his Royal Highness; but the Regard we owe to Truth, Justice, and the Publick, obliges one on this Occasion to declare, that Pro-

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whence particularly made use of him as its most proper Instrument in performing this Work. He it was who revived the Spirits of the People by the Magnanimity of his own Behaviour. He without Severity restored Discipline in the Army. He prudently delayed at Aberdeen till the Troops recovered their Fatigue and the Season open'd a Road to Victory. He waited with Patience, chose with Discretion, and most happily and gloriously improved that Opportunity which blasted the Hopes of the Rebels and has secured to us the present Possession and suture Prospect of the wisest and best-framed Constitution, administered by the gent test and most indulgent Government Europe can boast.



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